

Special Joint Powers Meeting

November 9, 2020

Location: City of Stacy City Hall 30955 Forest Blvd., Stacy, MN 55079

MINUTES

Call Meeting to Order

M. Utecht called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

S. Payne called roll call attendance for Stacy and present were M. Utecht, D. Thieling, M. Ness, T. Olivolo

B. Seekon called a roll call attendance for Lent and present were C. Cagle, R. Keller, T. Nelson, B. Seekon, J. Eischens

Others in attendance: City of Stacy attorney James Mongé III, S. Payne City Clerk, K. Wood Joint Powers Secretary

M. Utecht said the reason for the meeting is that it is believed that the Fire Department does not have a COVID preparedness plan. He said that the administration within the Fire Department should come up with their own specific plan like the City and Township have. T. Nelson said that the SLFD are following the MN Dept of Health guidelines, along with the CDC guidelines which can change quite often.

M. Ness said he wanted this meeting called because he would like the SLFD to list out who they report to when they test positive, how are the other Fire Fighters contacted if they were in contact with a positive person, is there extra cleaning, can they go on calls if they are positive, etc. He has worked on the City COVID plan. He said he understands that they are only sending a certain number of people on medicals and limiting the amount of people in a vehicle, but he would like to see everything documented.

T. Nelson said the Fire Department is concerned with public safety first, and is often wearing a respirator. M. Utecht said there are mandates that have to be followed. We need a document for the Fire Department to address the items M. Ness brought up. It is a plan so there is not a question when things come up. J. Mongé III said COVID preparedness plans were due in the beginning of June and there is a template on the department of health website. It is required and there are penalties for not having it.

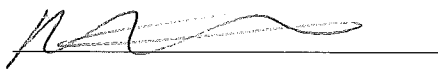
T. Nelson asked why the Fire Department is not in attendance. M. Utecht said he does not think it would do any good to have the Fire Department here and it did not come to mind. He said he will take the blame for not inviting them. The meeting was posted and public. They are their own legal entity and cannot just be covered by the City or Township plan.

T. Nelson asked who is going to tell them what they need. M. Utecht said they can write something off of the template, send it back to the Joint Powers and we can have each of our attorney's look at it. They can use language from a neighboring Fire Department. T. Nelson suggested the City of Wyoming because they provide similar services.

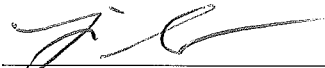
M. Utecht said he will get ahold of T. Potrament and tell him what needs to be done and S. Payne will send the draft preparedness plan. He will try to answer any questions and copy the Township. M. Utecht said he will start with a phone call and follow it up with an email. M. Utecht said he will tell T. Potrament we need this prior to the December meeting. T. Nelson said they are following basic COVID guidelines and have a lot of protocols in place.

M. Utecht declared the meeting adjourned at 7:29 pm. Passes for Stacy by a roll call vote.

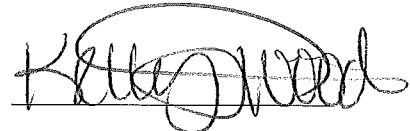
B. Seekon made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:29pm. Second by T. Nelson. Motion passes by roll call vote for Lent.



Mark Utecht, Stacy Mayor



Richard Keller, Lent Chair



Kelly Wood, JP Secretary

